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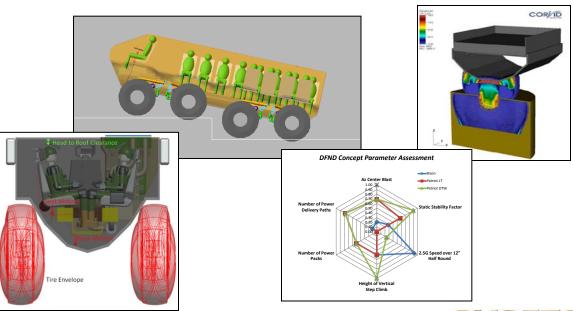
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DFND Project Overview



- TARDEC sponsored effort to develop novel vehicle concepts for a medium combat vehicle
- Primary objectives maximize force protection, vehicle mobility, and vehicle survivability
- Apply Pratt & Miller Engineering professional motorsports lean product development process
- Develop vehicle concepts on a compressed timeline
- Occupant-centric design approach
- 3 man crew with 10 dismounts
- Weight of 40,000 lb. 60,000 lb.
- 8 wheels





Force Protection Requirements





- Subset of requirements used for concept development and description of the process
- Force protection requirements defined as minimizing the vertical acceleration into the hull
- Threat focus Underbelly blast
- No threshold or objective targets specified in requirements
- Range set for trade study based on simulation results

Requirement	Threshold	Objective
Underbelly Blast Hull	Not specified –	Not specified –
Mass Vertical	set at 200 g	set at 140 g
Acceleration		





Mobility Requirements



- Mobility requirements included ride events, handling maneuvers, and obstacles
- An example of each included in this study
- Threshold and objective targets set

Requirement	Threshold	Objective	
Static Stability	Not specified –	Not specified -	
Factor	set at 0.6	set at 0.9	
12" Half Round	Not specified –	Not specified –	
	set at no more	set at no more	
	than 2.5g at 12	than 2.5g at 20	
	MPH	MPH	
Vertical Step	24"	36"	
Climb			



Vehicle Survivability Requirements





- Vehicle survivability defined as the ability of the vehicle to move after an underbelly blast event
- No threshold or objective targets specified in requirements
- Range set for trade study based on packaging results

Requirement	Threshold	Objective	
Number of Power	Not specified –	Not specified –	
Packs	set at 1	set at 3	
Number of Power	Not specified –	Not specified –	
Delivery Paths	set at 1	set at 10	



Competing Requirements





- Primary design parameters identified
- Competing nature requires a process to balance performance

Parameter	Description			
CG Height	Vertical distance from the			
	ground to the vehicle center of			
	gravity			
Track Width	Cross vehicle width between			
	wheel centerlines			
Stand-off Height	Vertical distance from the			
	ground to the lowest structura			
	member of the hull			
Wheel Travel in	Vertical suspension travel in			
Jounce	jounce (compression of			
	suspension)			
Power Pack	Drive power source			
Driveline	Components that transmit			
	power from the power pack to			
	the wheels			

	Force	Vehicle	Vehicle
	Protection	Mobility	Survivability
Higher CG	+	-	+
height			
Wider Track		+	
Width			
Higher Stand-	+	-	+
off Height			
More Wheel		+	
Travel in			
Jounce			
Higher Number			+
of Power Packs			
Higher Number		+	+
of Power			
Delivery Paths			

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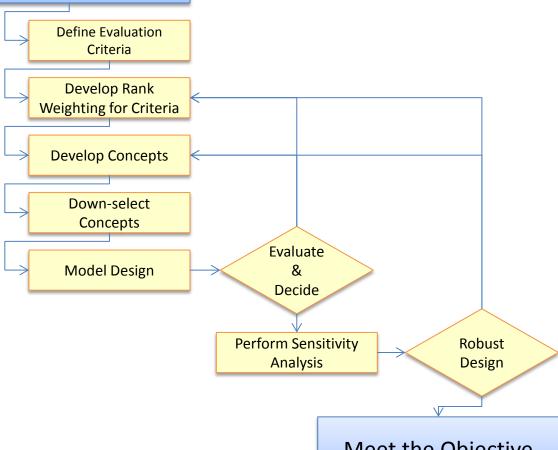


Trade Study Process





Identify the Objective



Meet the Objective





DFND Trade Heirarchy

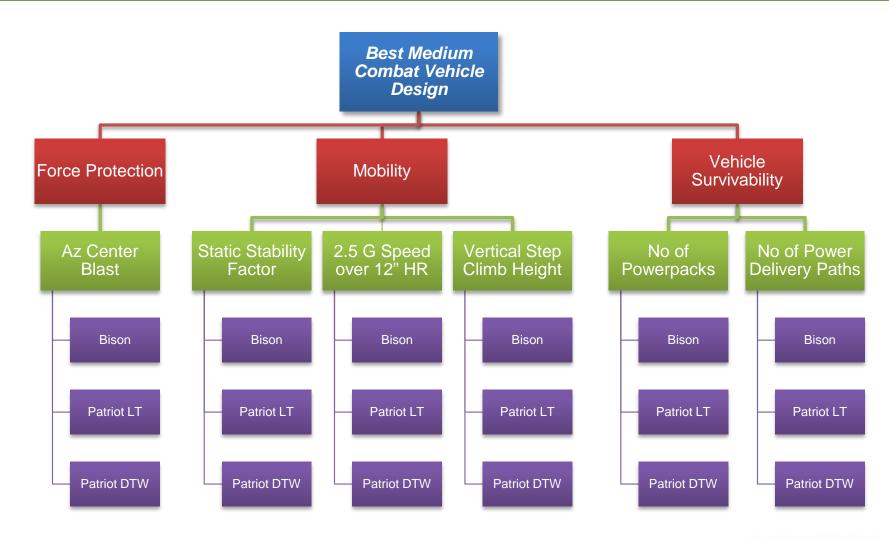


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Alternatives







Analytical Hierarchy Process



Analytical Hierarchy
 Process (AHP) to set the
 weighting factors for each
 criteria [2] by making pair wise comparisons

according to Scale of

Relative Importance

Scale of Relative Importance				
Intensity of Importance	Definition	Explanation		
1	Equal Importance	Two parameters contribute equally to the objective		
3	Moderate Importance	Experience and judgment slightly favor one over the other		
5	Strong Importance	Experience and judgment strongly favor one over the other		
7	7 Very Strong Importance One objective is favored very strongly over the other; its dominance is demonstrated in practice			
9	Extreme Importance	The evidence favoring one objective over the other is of the highest possible order of affirmation		
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Intensities of 2,4,6,8 can be used to express intermediate values. Intensities 1.1, 1.2, 1.3, etc. can be used for objectives that are very close in importance.

LEVEL 1 CRITERIA - Global Weighting

	Force			Nth root of	Global
	Protection	Mobility	Survivability	Product	Weighting
Force Protection	1	1.5	2	1.44	45%
Mobility	0.67	1	2	1.10	35%
Survivability	0.50	0.50	1	0.63	20%

[2] International Council on Systems Engineering, "A 'What To' Guide for All SE Practitioners", INCOSE-TP-2003-016-02, page 265, 2006.

GVSETS



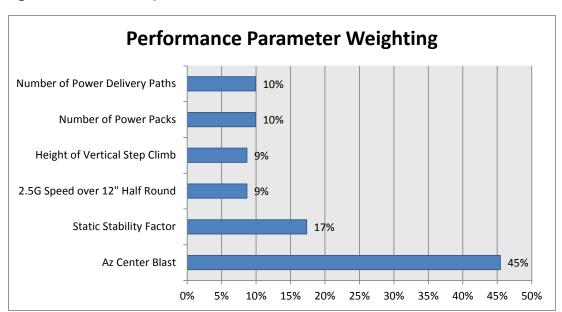
Analytical Hierarchy Process



- Process duplicated for each of the sub-level criteria to create local weighting for every design objective
- Global weighting calculated as:

 $GWF_{(level n)} = LWF_{(level n)} * LWF_{(level n-1)}$ Where:

- LWF(level n) = local weighting factor of the child sub-level n criteria LWF(level n-1) = local weighting factor of the parent level n-1 criteria
- Rank importance of all criteria evaluated and confirmed



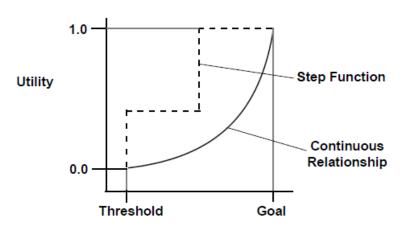
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Analytical Hierarchy Process



- Design parameters normalized through Utility Functions [3]
- Metrics from force protection, mobility, and vehicle survivability generated from model based simulation and utility curves generated to normalize them from 0 to 1
- Sum of the products of the parameter weighting factors and normalized measures are evaluated to generate a score



Trade Study Matrix

			OPTIONS	
Requirements	Weighting	CONCEPT 1	CONCEPT 2	CONCEPT 3
Payload	0.05	0.5	1.0	0.7
Maneuverability	0.10	0.7	0.8	0.9
Weight	0.10	1.0	0.7	1.0
Mobility	0.25	0.8	0.9	0.3
Occupant Survivability	0.30	0.6	1.0	0.7
Vehicle Survivability	0.20	0.5	0.8	1.0
Total	100%		⊘ 0.89	% 0.71

Decision Factor (e.g., speed, cost, reliability, etc.)

[3] Defense Acquisition University Press, "Systems Engineering Fundamentals", Version 3.1, page 115, 2006.





Concept Simulation



- Novel concepts developed using systems engineering process
- Design parameters specified for three vehicle concepts
- Simulations performed for blast, mobility, and vehicle packaging

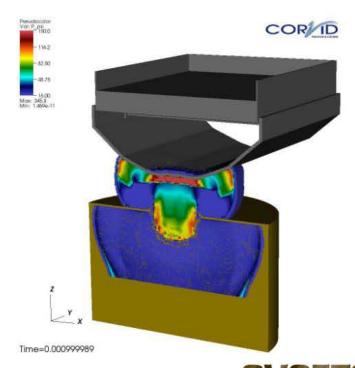
Design Parameter	Bison	Patriot LT	Patriot DTW
			DIW
CG Height	68.5"	60.8"	60.8"
Track Width	94"	94"	106"
Stand-off	20.5"	26"	26"
Height			
Wheel Travel	8"	8"	12"
in Jounce			
Power pack	Single	Dual	Dual
Driveline	Conventional	Electric	Electric
		hub motors	hub motors



Blast Simulation



- Blast simulations performed using Velodyne a proprietary software package developed by the Corvid Technologies
- Velodyne is a fully coupled, multi-physics, hydro-structural solver used to simulate complex high strain rate events
- Stand-off height comparisons at 18", 29", and 40" completed using a simplified hull structure
- Consistent charge size and soil depth
- The vehicle mass was set to match the status of the sprung hull mass system not including the tires, wheels, and wheel end assembly mass

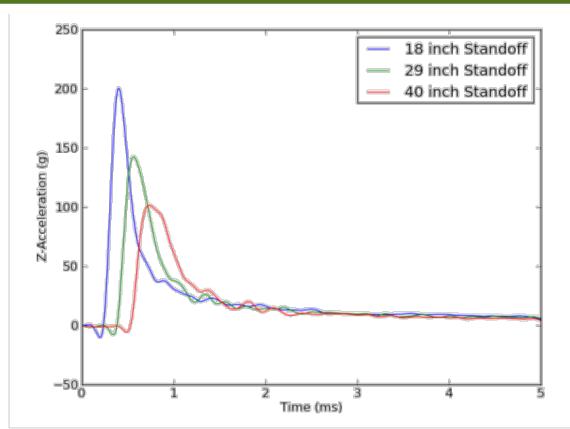




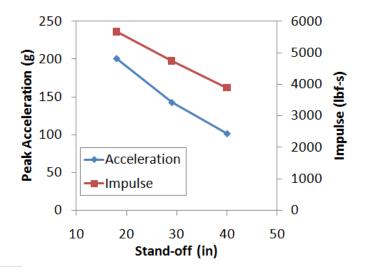
Blast Simulation







Vertical acceleration performance approximated for concepts based on stand-off height



	Bison	Patriot LT	Patriot DTW
Az for center blast	187 g	158 g	158 g



Mobility Simulation

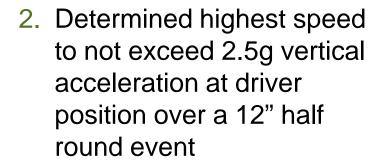


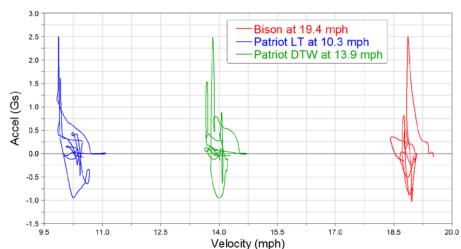
- Three events used to rank concepts SSF, half round, step climb
- Used MSC.ADAMS multi-body simulation software to build concept vehicle models
- 1. Static stability factor [6] SSF = T / (2H) where:

T = track width H = CG height

	Bison	Patriot LT	Patriot DTW
Track Width	94"	94"	106"
CG Height	68.5"	60.8"	60.8"
Static Stability Factor	0.69	0.77	0.87

12" Half Round - Driver Vertical Acceleration





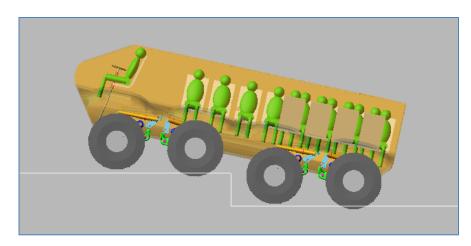
[6] M. Walz, "Trends in the Static Stability Factor of Passenger Cars, Light Trucks, and Vans", NHTSA Technical Report DOT HS 809 868, page 2, 2005.



Mobility Simulation



3. Vertical step climb simulated to determine the maximum height that each concept was capable of climbing



Mobility simulation results for each concept summarized below and used in trade study

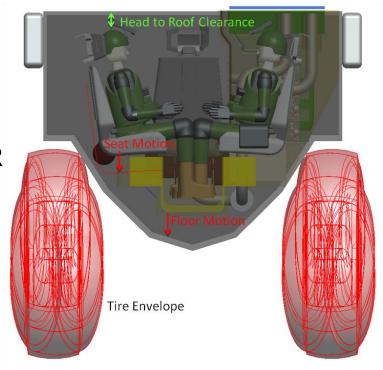
	Bison	Patriot LT	Patriot DTW
Static Stability	0.69	0.77	0.87
Factor			
2.5g Speed over 12" Half Round	19.4 MPH	10.3 MPH	13.9 MPH
Height of Vertical	30"	30"	36"
Step Climb			



Packaging



- Primary packaging related parameters center of gravity (CG) height, number of power packs, and number of power delivery paths.
- Parametric Technology's Pro/ENGINEER computer aided design (CAD) software
- Soldier-centric packaging starting with occupant and balancing suspension travel, stand-off height, and CG height
- Vehicle survivability evaluated for each concept with redundancy as an enabler



	Bison	Patriot LT	Patriot DTW
Center of Gravity Height	68.5"	60.8"	60.8"
Number of power packs	1	2	2
Number of power delivery paths	2	8	8



Trade Study Results



DFND Concept Performance Parameter Trade Matrix

		Concepts		
Performance Parameter	Weighting	Bison	Patriot LT	Patriot DTW
Az Center Blast	45%	0.21	0.69	0.69
Static Stability Factor	17%	0.29	0.58	0.91
2.5G Speed over 12" Half Round	9%	0.93	0.00	0.24
Height of Vertical Step Climb	9%	0.50	0.50	1.00
Number of Power Packs	10%	0.00	I I 0.50	0.50
Number of Power Delivery Paths	10%	0.11	0.78	0.78
Total	100%	% 0.281	0.585	⊘ 0.706



Conclusion



- Modeling and simulation for blast, mobility, and packaging used to generate and develop DFND concepts
- Trade study process established to apply weightings and normalize data
- M&S results used to populate trade study parameters
- Simplified example shown to rank vehicle concepts
- Patriot DTW determined to be the leading concept
- Process facilitates decision making based on holistic systems engineering

DFND Concept Parameter Assessment

